#### CITY OF NEWPORT

### **RESOLUTION NO. 3665**

# A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RESIDENTIAL COMPOSTABLES COLLECTION PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the City of Newport has authorized a franchise agreement with Thompson's Sanitary Service Inc., pursuant to Newport Municipal Code Chapter 7.05 to carry out the purpose and policies of that chapter; and

WHEREAS, the franchise agreement provides that Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. shall provide for the disposal of solid waste; provide the opportunity for recycling; and provide new additional services when proposed by the City of Newport or Thompson's Sanitary Service Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the city has engaged in discussions with Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. since April of 2013 concerning the provision of a new service to meet the goals of Chapter 7.05 of the Newport Municipal Code to reduce the amount of solid waste generated and to recover resource materials where possible; and

WHEREAS, the City of Newport has requested and obtained public comment at various steps in the review of a residential compostables collection program with those comments shaping and informing the final program that has been proposed for adoption; and

WHEREAS, Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. has established a commercial compostables collection pilot program with a limited number of commercial users in addition to the proposed residential compostables collection program.

### THE CITY OF NEWPORT RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

<u>Section 1</u>. The City Council authorizes an additional service of a residential compostables collection program in accordance with section 9 of the franchise agreement between the City of Newport and Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc.

<u>Section 2</u>. The residential compostables collection program will be funded through an increase of \$6.59 per month for residential household garbage and recycling collection customers of Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. starting with initiation of the residential compostables collection service through June 30, 2015.

<u>Section 3</u>. Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. will allow those customers who elect to utilize a 24-gallon household garbage cart for weekly pick-up service to opt out of the residential compostables collection program.

<u>Section 4</u>. Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. will provide a 96-gallon roll cart with weekly pickup service for all residential customers, except as provided for in Section 3. Upon request, and subject to a reasonable delivery schedule, Thompson's Sanitary Service,

Inc. will provide an optional 65-gallon roll cart for customers who prefer a smaller roll cart, at the same cost as a 96-gallon roll cart.

<u>Section 5</u>. The rates for residential service upon initiation of the program and through June 30, 2015 will be as follows:

## Curbside Waste Disposal, Co-Mingled Recycling, and Mixed Compostables Recycling

24-gallon garbage picked up weekly roll cart	\$25.74
35-gallon garbage picked up weekly roll cart	\$26.94
35-gallon garbage picked up monthly roll cart	\$23.24
65-gallon garbage picked up weekly roll cart	\$46.84
65-gallon garbage picked up monthly roll cart	\$38.84
96-gallon garbage picked up weekly roll cart	\$65.64

### Curbside Waste Disposal and Co-Mingled Recycling Only

24-gallon garbage picked up weekly roll cart	\$19.15
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Any Non Curbside residential customers
Additional fee for Mixed Compostable Recycling \$ 6.59

All other residential collection rates previously approved will be increased by \$6.59 at the time that compostable collection service is initiated as part of those services.

<u>Section 6</u>. Benchmarks for the residential compostables collection program are established as follows:

- A. If program opt out is less than 5%, then 25% to 30% of the total affected waste stream will be diverted as mixed compostables waste. If the program opt out is 5% to 10%, then 20% to 24% of the total affected waste stream will be diverted as mixed compostables waste. If the program opt out is more than 10% but less than 15%, then 15% to 19% of the total affected waste stream will be diverted as mixed compostables waste.
- B. The benchmark for active participation is as follows: 85% of customers receiving mixed compostables service will place a roll cart at the curb at least once per month on average.

<u>Section 7</u>. Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. will provide separate tonnage amounts and disposal costs for solid waste, co-mingled recycling, and compostables waste. Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. will provide this information semi-annually to the City of Newport. Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. will account for the collection and disposal costs for these lines of business in such a way that a report can be provided to the City Council when requested.

Section 8. For the first three years of the residential compostables collection program, Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. will meet semi-annually with the City of Newport to review the performance, effectiveness, and cost of the program. The city will develop a customer survey within the first six months of the program, in consultation with Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc., to be distributed through city utility bills and other methods at a time deemed appropriate to obtain the most useful information from customers. If program costs exceed normal inflationary amounts, or benchmarks are not met, Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. will meet with the city to identify and implement ways to reconstruct or modify the program to reduce the overall increases in cost to residential customers.

<u>Section 9</u>. Thompson's Sanitary Service, Inc. assumes all of the financial risk of this program over and above the monthly program charge of \$6.59 through June 30, 2015.

<u>Section10</u>. Upon approval of this resolution, the City Attorney is directed to draft necessary modifications to Chapter 7.05, Solid Waste, of the Newport Municipal Code to incorporate changes to definitions and other modifications necessary to reflect the intentions of the residential compostables collection program for the City of Newport, as reflected in this resolution.

<u>Section 11</u>. This resolution is effective upon adoption. The ordinance incorporating these provisions into the Newport Municipal Code will be effective upon the date specified therein.

Adopted by the Newport City Council on April 7, 2014.

Sandra N. Roumagoux, Mayor

ATTEST:

Margaret M. Hawker, City Recorder